DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Docket No.: ED-2016-ICCD-0095

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and approval; Comment Request; Foreign Schools Eligibility Criteria Apply to Participate in Title IV HEA Programs

AGENCY: Department of Education (ED), Federal Student Aid (FSA)

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 3501 *et seq.*), ED is proposing a revision of an existing information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [insert the 30th day after publication of this notice].

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use http://www.regulations.gov by searching the Docket ID number ED-2016-ICCD-0095. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or e-mail and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ, Room 2E-347, Washington, D.C. 20202-4537.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebeldinger, 202-377-4018.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to

the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner;

(3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity

of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this

collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written

comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Foreign Schools Eligibility Criteria Apply to Participate in Title IV HEA Programs

OMB Control Number: 1845-0105

Type of Review: A revision of an existing information collection

Respondents / Affected Public: Individuals or Households; Private Sector; State, Local, and Tribal

Governments

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 4,135

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 398

Abstract: The information in 34 CFR 600.54, 600.55, 600.56 and 600.57 is used by the Department during

the initial review for eligibility certification, recertification and annual evaluations. These regulations help

ensure that all foreign institutions participating in the Title IV, Higher Education Act (HEA) Programs are

meeting the minimum participation standards.

Dated: November 3, 2016

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Office of Management

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